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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) dated November 19, 2001, be extended for a period of four (4) months from August 8, 2001 to and including December 10, 2001, which is a Monday. The Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) was received as a result of the filing of September 10, 2001 and thus the period for response is set forth in the Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 8, 2001. A one month extension was filed on September 10, 2001.

The fee for this extension is believed to be \$1,330.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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